

Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission
Proclamation

Dove, Woodcock, Snipe, Crow, and September Waterfowl Regulations

Pursuant to the authority granted by, Tennessee Code Annotated, Sections 70-4-107 and 70-5-108, the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission hereby proclaims the following migratory bird hunting regulations effective August 1, 2003.

Season dates and limits are pending in lieu of federal frameworks.

Section I. Season and Daily Bag Limits

Species	Opens	Closes	Daily Bag
Dove			15 ¹
1st segment	1st Sat. in Sept. or Labor Day, whichever comes first, and continues for 26 consecutive days		
2nd segment	2nd Sat. in Oct.	4th Sun. in Oct.	
3rd segment	3rd Sat. in Dec. and continues for 18 consecutive days		
Woodcock	Maximum days allowed by federal regulations beginning the last Saturday in October		Maximum bag limit allowed by federal regulations
Wilson Snipe	107 consecutive days ending Feb. 29		8
Crow	Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays only from June 1 - end of February		No limit
Wood Duck/Teal	2nd Sat. in Sept. and continues for five consecutive days		4 ²
Canada Goose	Sept. 1	Sept. 15	5

Section II. Shooting Hours

Shooting hours same as federal frameworks.³

Section III. Possession Limits

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- 1 No limit on collared dove. Doves not readily identifiable as collared doves will be considered to be mourning doves and will count towards the mourning dove daily bag limit.
- 2 In aggregate not to exceed 2 wood ducks. Not to exceed 4 teal.
- 3 Except for dove hunting on opening day when shooting hours will begin at 12:00 noon.

The possession limit for all species listed herein is twice the daily bag limit except opening day when it shall be the same as the daily bag limit.

Section IV. Dove Season Opening Date

For the 2002, 2003, and 2004 seasons, the dove season opening date for the first segment will be the first Saturday in September or Labor Day whichever comes first.

Section V. Repeal of Prior Proclamation

This proclamation repeals Proclamation No. 02-5, dated May 30, 2002.

Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission

Chairman

I certify that this is an accurate and complete copy of a proclamation lawfully promulgated and adopted by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission on the ____ day of ____, 2003.

Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the ____ day of 2003.

Notary Public

My commission expires on the ____ day of _____, ____.

Proclamation No. 03-11 received and recorded this ____ day of 2003.

Riley C. Darnell, Secretary of State